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241-203 Grindall St. (South side)  
Baltimore, Md.  
Private access

1852-1884

231-241 Grindall St. is a row of two story, two bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, typical of the type of small Victorian-style house built for working class residents in this section of Federal Hill in the 1880's and 1890's. The houses were built by Nicholas Popplein on the rear portions of his lots facing on Cross St., in the early 1880's. 221 Grindall St. is a two story, three bay wide Victorian style brick house, with shed roof and bracketed cornice, built in this same period. The houses on the western end of the block, 203-219 Grindall St., are all two story, two bay wide, gable-roofed brick houses built on high basements in which the kitchen was located. The houses were built by John T. Grindall in 1852-1854.

# MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

### 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

221 Grindall St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

### 3 CLASSIFICATION

#### CATEGORY

\_\_\_ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

\_\_\_ STRUCTURE

\_\_\_ SITE

\_\_\_ OBJECT

#### OWNERSHIP

\_\_\_ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

\_\_\_ BOTH

#### PUBLIC ACQUISITION

\_\_\_ IN PROCESS

\_\_\_ BEING CONSIDERED

#### STATUS

\_\_\_ OCCUPIED

☒ UNOCCUPIED

☒ WORK IN PROGRESS

#### ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED

\_\_\_ YES: UNRESTRICTED

\_\_\_ NO

#### PRESENT USE

\_\_\_ AGRICULTURE

\_\_\_ COMMERCIAL

\_\_\_ EDUCATIONAL

\_\_\_ ENTERTAINMENT

\_\_\_ GOVERNMENT

\_\_\_ INDUSTRIAL

\_\_\_ MILITARY

\_\_\_ MUSEUM

\_\_\_ PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

\_\_\_ RELIGIOUS

\_\_\_ SCIENTIFIC

\_\_\_ TRANSPORTATION

\_\_\_ OTHER:

### 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

### 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

### 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT  
☒ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ UNALTERED  
☐ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This two story, three bay brick house with shed roof and sheet metal cornice was built in the 1870's as part of the development of the eastern end of Grindall St. The house is currently in the process of being renovated.

The house is two stories in height, about 15' wide, and occupies a lot 38 1/2' deep. The house is two rooms deep and there is currently no rear addition, though it appears that a new addition is in the process of being built. The house is constructed in running bond. The shed roof is capped by a stamped sheet metal cornice consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding set above a row of dentils and a molding strip. Two end brackets, the upper edges of which terminate in "anthemions," connect the cornice to a lower molding strip thus forming a brick freize area. There are no extant roof chimneys.

All of the door and window openings have segmentally arched brick lintels with scroll-sawed tympanums. The sills are wood. The window openings currently have no sash, though before renovation began they were all filled with 1/1 sash. There is also no door at this time. The previous glass and panel door was set beneath a deep single light transom. The house sits on a low basement, the entrance being reached by three stone steps. Two square basement window openings are located beneath the first floor windows.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1879-1884

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Nicholas Popplein

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 239-241 Grindall St.

This house was part of the property fronting on 218 E. Cross St. and remained so until quite recently. The house was always rented by the owners of the Cross St. property.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 18' x 38'7"

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

DATE

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STREET &amp; NUMBER

TELEPHONE

1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

RuxtonMaryland 21204

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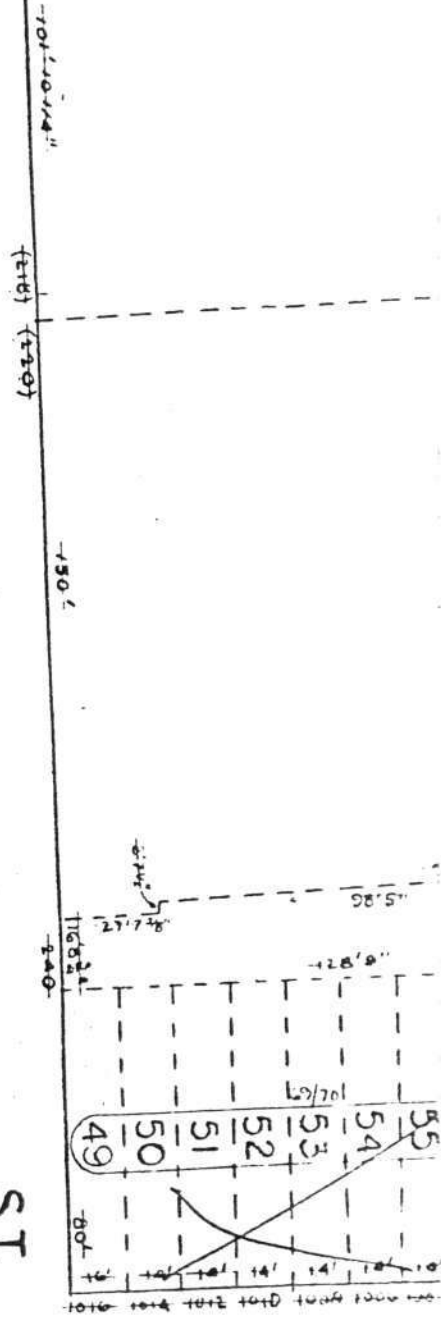
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221 Grindall Street  
Block 0937 Lot 058  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore East Quad.









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M.E.H.      5/79

North elevation